

I call on you to hold an official public hearing in my state.

Before the disastrous 2003 decision to weaken media ownership rules (which a federal court has now overturned), you held only one official public hearing. Further, FCC officials met behind closed doors 71 times with major broadcasters – but only five times with public interest groups. And to justify your actions, you used deceptive, industry-sponsored research data.

The will of Big Media had been heeded at the expense of American citizens and democracy itself. This has to end. Before you rewrite the ownership rules, I demand an official public FCC hearing in my state, impartial and verifiable research, and transparent debates.

It is time to put the needs of democracy – a diverse, skeptical, independent and competitive media system – ahead of profit-hungry media giants.

Chairman Powell, Shame on you!
Your efforts to squash the public's right to use and receive honest news and media, of, by and for the people, are Infamous!
By working to weaken the Ownership rules, you have shown the electorate of this country what you really made of.

(Contempt for free speech)!

Your a disgrace to your family as well as this country! Resign!

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